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STATEMENT OF GOVERNOR HALEY BARBOUR ON EXPANDING CALL FOR SPECIAL SESSION

This week Attorney General Jim Hood asked me to expand the Call of the current Special Session to include \$2.5 million in additional appropriations to finish construction and renovations to his new office space in the Sillers Building.

Today House Speaker McCoy wrote to me endorsing the Attorney General's request, and Lieutenant Governor Tuck has advised my staff that she concurs.

Based on these requests I have expanded the Call for the purpose of allowing the appropriation of this \$2.5 million of additional money sought by the Attorney General for his new office space in the Sillers Building.

The expanded Call also includes a number of local and private issues that have been agreed to by legislative leadership.

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